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**Remarks:**

Re: U. S. Patent Application No. 10/562,301  
Inventor(s): David Lawrence McCARTHY, et al.  
Title: " Method of Encoding a Latent Image "  
Our Ref: B-5838PCT 623089-9

It will be appreciated if you will inform us as to the status of the above-identified U.S. patent application. This inquiry is being initiated on the basis of the fact that the subject application was filed on December 22, 2005, and an official action dealing substantively with this application has not been received. Therefore, please inform us as to when we may expect to receive an official action for the above- identified application.

Thank you for your assistance with this matter.

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